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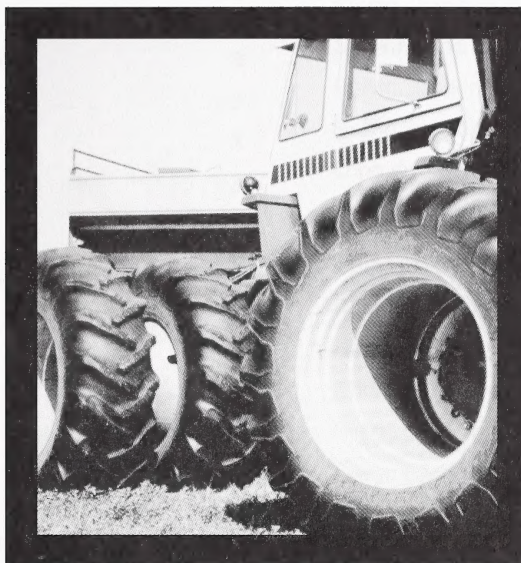
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FOREWORD

As custom and rental agreements are being negotiated, it is useful to know what others are paying or charging for similar services. Since 1977, Alberta Agriculture Food and Rural Development has annually surveyed custom and rental rates to provide information to farmers and custom operators making custom work and rental decisions.


This publication presents a summary of custom work and land rental rates during 1993. These rates are intended only as a guide. **They are not to be interpreted as the rates you must charge or pay.**

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INTRODUCTION

Objective

The Custom Rates Survey Summary began in 1977 as a response to a need for this type of information by farmers, custom operators and agriculturists.

The specific objective of this publication is to organize and report 1993 custom rates for certain custom operations on the farm. No effort is made to evaluate fairness of reported rates. **The goal is to report what is being charged, not what should be charged.**

Sample size

The reader should note that the samples size is often small and thus, reported rates should only be used as a general indication of rates that are being charged for the various custom operations in Alberta. Custom rates in this publication are not to be interpreted as recommended rates. Individual custom operations should still be evaluated on their own merit.

Users of custom rates information

Custom rate information can be useful to many people involved in agriculture and other related activities. Farmers may find custom rates useful as a guide for machinery management, budgeting and financial planning for credit needs. Also, custom rates can be useful as a guide in negotiating settlements for work performed for neighbours or others. Lenders, educators, government institutions and others doing budgeting or planning analysis may also find custom rates useful as guides in their work. Custom operators can use these guides to compare their own rate with the market rate in a certain area.

Understanding the tables

Custom rates for various operations in Alberta are presented on pages 6 to 17. The tables are itemized under type of **Operation** surveyed, **Location** where rates apply, **Most Common Rates** charged in 1991, **Range of Rates** charged in 1992, and **Most Common Rates** charged in 1992. Under the heading **Location**, three regions, south, central and north are identified. Where survey reports were insufficient for regional comparisons, the location is identified as Alberta. The map on page 5 outlines the regional boundaries.

Custom rates in 1993 for the various operations are shown as **Range-1993** and **Most Common-1993**. The rates quoted most often by custom operators are under the heading **Most Common-1993**. Variations in rates from lowest to highest are under the heading **Range-1993**. The reason for these ranges is due to many factors, some of which are listed below.

Factors contributing to lower rates:

- a) neighborly work exchange;
- b) location of job in relation to home base of custom operator;
- c) custom operator's desire to cover variable costs, but not necessarily all fixed costs;
- d) use of older equipment which does not reflect current investment cost;
- e) services such as labor, meals, fuel, supervision, transportation or other convenience services, being provided to the custom operator by the farmer; and
- f) the size of job.

Factors contributing to higher rates:

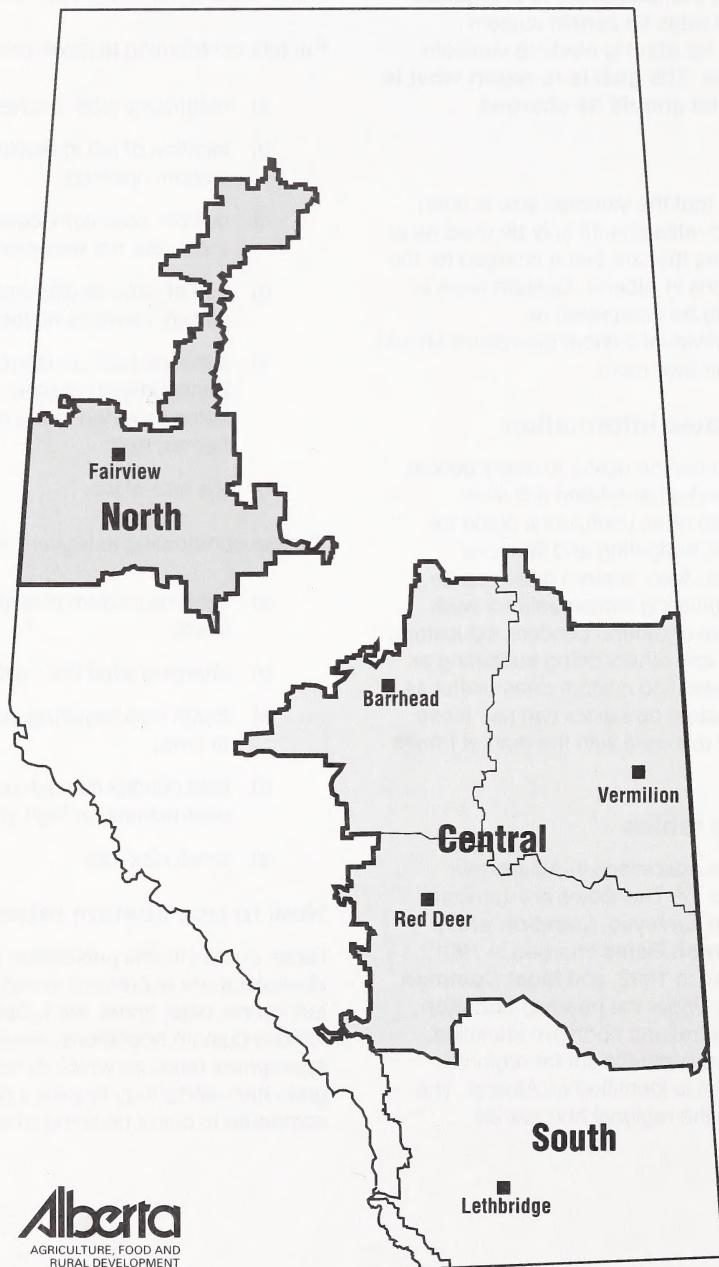
- a) full-time custom operators who are covering all costs;
- b) charging what the market will bear;
- c) tough jobs requiring extra power, repairs, fuel or time;
- d) field conditions such as rocks, rough terrain, obstructions, or high yield crops; and
- e) small size jobs.

How to use custom rates information

Rates quoted in this publication for the various custom operations are expressed in numerous ways (per hour, ton, tonne, bale, acres, etc.). Before comparing the various custom operations, always choose the appropriate basis on which to compare. For example, grain harvesting may require a per acre cost as compared to corral cleaning where a per hour rate is

more appropriate. When custom rates are given in dollars per hour, it is advisable to convert to a physical unit cost (bushels, tonnes, acres) that is appropriate to that operation. A low cost per hour can be a very high cost per acre, tonne, etc.

Because custom rates quoted in this publication may not suit all custom operators and those hiring custom work, it is advisable to calculate one's own custom costs. For more information on how to calculate your own cost, consult *Farm Machinery Costs as Guide to Custom Rates*, Agdex 825-4.



Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
TILLAGE				
Plowing	Alberta	\$18 - 20/ac \$40 - 85/hr	\$10 - 25/ac \$40 - 75/hr	\$10 - 25/ac \$40 - 75/hr
Total Reports 7 Surveyed November 1993				
Discing - crop or stubble	Alberta	\$4 - 9/ac \$60 - 85/hr	\$5 - 8/ac \$75 - 110/hr	\$5 - 8/ac \$75 - 110/hr
Total Reports 20 Surveyed November 1993				
Discing - pasture or hayland	Alberta	\$4 - 9/ac \$75 - 85/hr	\$7 - 20/ac \$55 - 60/hr	\$7 - 15/ac \$55 - 60/hr
Total Reports 9 Surveyed November 1993				
Rotovating - pasture or hayland	Alberta	\$25 - 45/ac \$50 - 90/hr	\$25 - 45/ac \$50 - 90/hr	\$25 - 45/ac \$50 - 90/hr
Total Reports 3 Surveyed November 1993				
Ripping or sub-soiling	Alberta	\$70 - 124/hr	\$70 - 156/hr	\$70 - 110/hr
Total Reports 20 Surveyed November 1993				
Cultivating	South	\$4/ac \$50/hr	\$3 - 10/ac \$60 - 100/hr	\$4 - 6/ac \$60 - 100/hr
	Central	\$3.25 - 6.00/ac \$50 - 110/hr	\$3.25 - 8.00/ac \$55 - 110/hr	\$5 - 6/ac \$55 - 110/hr
	North	\$3 - 8/ac \$65 - 100/hr	\$4 - 8/ac \$50 - 100/hr	\$4 - 8/ac \$50 - 100/hr
Total Reports 48 Surveyed November 1993				
Harrowing and packing	Alberta	\$2.50/ac *	\$2.00 - 3.25/ac	\$2.00 - 3.25/ac
Total Reports 5 Surveyed November 1993				

NOTE: * Indicates one report received.

Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
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SEEDING

Seeding - drill, disc, air seeder	South	\$5 - 8/ac	\$5 - 10/ac	\$5 - 8/ac
	Central	\$5.00 - 7.50/ac	\$5 - 10/ac	\$5 - 8/ac
	North	\$5.50 - 7.00/ac	\$5.50 - 8.00/ac	\$6 - 7/ac

Total Reports 50 surveyed June & November 1993

Seeding - floater truck	Alberta	\$3.50/ac	\$2.00 - 4.50/ac	\$3 - 4/ac
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Total Reports 23 Surveyed June & November 1993

Seeding - aerial	Highest rates for heavier seeding rates.			
	Alberta	\$3.50 - 4.00/ac	\$3.50 - 10.00/ac	\$3.50 - 5.00/ac

Total Reports 10 Surveyed June & November 1993

Seeding - no-till drill	Alberta	—	\$13.25 - 20.00/ac	\$13.25 - 20.00/ac
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Total Reports 4 Surveyed June & November 1993

FERTILIZER APPLICATION

Granular fertilizer application	Floater, truck mount, pull-type, air seeder			
	Alberta	\$2.75 - 5.00/ac	\$2.50 - 10.00/ac	\$2.75 - 7.00/ac

Total Reports 88 Surveyed June & November 1993

Granular fertilizer & herbicide application	Floater, truck mount, pull-type, air seeder			
	Alberta	\$3.00 - 4.25/ac	\$3.50 - 7.25/ac	\$3.50 - 4.00/ac

Total Reports 10 Surveyed June & November 1993

Liquid fertilizer application	Floater, truck mount, pull-type, fixed wing aircraft (Fixed wing at 2 gallon rate)			
	Alberta	\$3.00 - 4.50/ac	\$2 - 6/ac	\$3.50 - 4.00/ac

Total Reports 26 Surveyed June & November 1993

Liquid fertilizer & herbicide application	Floater, truck mount, pull-type, fixed wing aircraft (Fixed wing at 2 gallon rate)			
	Alberta	\$3.00 - 3.75/ac	\$3.00 - 3.50/ac	\$3.00 - 3.50/ac

Total Reports 6 Surveyed June & November 1993

NOTE: * Indicates one report received.

Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
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HERBICIDE APPLICATION

Granular herbicide application	Floater, truck mount, pull-type			
	Alberta	\$2 - 5/ac	\$1.75 - 6.50/ac	\$2.00 - 4.50/ac

Total Reports 40 Surveyed June & November 1993

Granular herbicide & fertilizer application	Floater, truck mount, pull-type			
	Alberta	\$3.00 - 4.25/ac	\$3.50 - 7.25/ac	\$3.50 - 4.00/ac

Total Reports 10 Surveyed June & November 1993

Liquid herbicide application	Floater, truck mount, pull-type, self-propelled			
	South	\$3.75 - 5.50/ac	\$2.50 - 5.00/ac	\$3 - 4/ac
	Central	\$2.50 - 4.00/ac	\$2.50 - 5.00/ac	\$3.50 - 4.00/ac
	North	\$2.50 - 3.50/ac	\$2.50 - 4.00/ac	\$3.50/ac

Total Reports 84 Surveyed June & November 1993

Aerial liquid herbicide application	Fixed wing aircraft, NB – Higher rates are for more water used			
	Alberta	\$3.50 - 4.50/ac	\$3.00 - 5.50/ac	\$3.50 - 5.50/ac

Total Reports 36 Surveyed June & November 1993

Liquid herbicide & fertilizer application	Floater, truck mount, pull-type, self-propelled			
	Alberta	\$3.00 - 3.75/ac	\$3.00 - 3.50/ac	\$3.00 - 3.50/ac

Total Reports 6 Surveyed June & November 1993

GRAIN HARVESTING

Grain swathing	South	\$5 - 8/ac	\$5 - 10/ac	\$5 - 8/ac
		\$35 - 65/hr	\$35 - 75/hr	\$35 - 75/hr
	Central	\$6.00 - 8.50/ac	\$4 - 9/ac	\$5 - 6/ac
		\$14.50 - 40.00/hr	\$40 - 65/hr	\$40 - 65/hr
	North	\$4.75 - 6.00/ac	\$5 - 6/ac	\$5 - 6/ac
		\$40 - 65/hr	\$40 - 75/hr	\$40 - 75/hr

Total Reports 38 Surveyed September – October 1993

NOTE: * Indicates one report received.

Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
Combining	South – Dryland	\$12 - 18/ac	\$12 - 16/ac \$75 - 100/hr	\$12 - 16/ac \$100/hr
	South – Irrigated	\$15 - 22/ac	\$15 - 22/ac	\$15 - 22/ac
	Central	\$13 - 20/ac \$50 - 125/hr	\$10 - 25/ac \$70 - 250/hr	\$10 - 18/ac \$70 - 100/hr
	North	\$10 - 12/ac \$100/hr	\$12/ac \$100/hr	\$12/ac \$100/hr

Total Reports 114 Surveyed September – October 1993

Combining and hauling to bin	South	\$12 - 15/ac \$60 - 120/hr	\$12 - 25/ac \$85 - 150/hr	\$15 - 20/ac \$85 - 150/hr
	Central	\$11 - 20/ac \$120 - 160/hr	\$10 - 20/ac \$60 - 140/hr	\$14 - 18/ac \$90 - 140/hr
	North	\$12 - 15/ac * \$125/hr *	\$13 - 18/ac \$115 - 130/hr	\$13 - 18/ac \$115 - 130/hr

Total Reports 37 Surveyed September – October 1993

Grain drying	Alberta	\$40 - 65/hr	\$55 - 80/hr	\$55 - 65/hr
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Total Reports 6 Surveyed September – October 1993

Long distance grain hauling (22-37 tonne truck)	South	0 - 25 miles	26 - 50 miles	Over 50 miles
		\$0.10 - 0.15/bu	–	–
		\$5.00 - 6.50/T	6.50 - 8.00/T	–
	Central	\$0.10 - 0.15/bu	\$0.13 - 0.18/bu	\$0.17 - 0.25/bu
		\$4.00 - 6.50/T	\$6.85 - 8.50/T	\$9 - 11/T
		\$35 - 55/hr	–	–
	North	–	–	\$8.50-13.50/T
		\$30/hr *	\$30/hr *	–

Total Reports 63 Surveyed September – October 1993

NOTE: * Indicates one report received.

Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
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HAYING

Cutting and conditioning hay

South	\$8 - 10/ac \$60 - 75/hr	\$9 - 15/ac –	\$9 - 12/ac –
Central	\$7 - 9/ac \$55/hr	\$5 - 12/ac \$50 - 65/hr	\$7 - 10/ac \$50 - 65/hr
North	\$6 - 10/ac	\$7 - 10/ac	\$7 - 10/ac

Total Reports 40 Surveyed July – August 1993

Baling - small square

South	\$0.25 - 0.45/bale	\$0.30 - 0.50/bale	\$0.30 - 0.50/bale
Central	\$0.25 - 0.35/bale	\$0.25 - 0.35/bale	\$0.30 - 0.35/bale
North	–	–	–

Total Reports 20 Surveyed July – August 1993

Stacking and hauling small square

Less than one mile Alberta	\$0.25 - 0.35/bale	\$0.25 - 0.45/bale	\$0.25 - 0.35/bale
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Total Reports 18 Surveyed July – August 1993

Baling - large square

Alberta	\$9 - 11/bale	\$9 - 11/bale	\$9 - 11/bale
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Total Reports 5 Surveyed July – August 1993

Baling - large round

South	\$5.50 - 7.50/bale	\$5.50 - 7.50/bale	\$6 - 7/bale
Central	\$5 - 7/bale	\$5 - 8//bale	\$5 - 7/bale
North	\$5 - 6/bale	\$6 - 7/bale	\$6 - 7/bale

Total Reports 69 Surveyed July – August 1993

Stacking and hauling large round

Less than one mile Alberta	\$1.75 - 3.00/bale \$50 - 70/hr	\$1.75 - 4.00/bale \$50 - 70/hr	\$1.75 - 4.00/bale \$50 - 70/hr
lmi = loaded mile	\$3.50 - 3.60/lmi	\$3.60/lmi *	\$3.60/lmi *

Total Reports 15 Surveyed July – August 1993

Baling, stacking and hauling small square

Less than one mile Alberta	\$0.50 - 0.95/bale	\$0.60 - 1.00/bale	\$0.60 - 1.00/bale
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Total Reports 14 Surveyed July – August 1993

NOTE: * Indicates one report received.

Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
Baling, stacking and hauling large round	Less than one mile			
	Alberta	\$7.50 - 9.50/bale	\$8 - 12/bale	\$8 - 12/bale
		\$100 - 160/hr	\$160/hr *	\$160/hr *

Total Reports 7 Surveyed July – August 1993

Long distance hay hauling	Under 100 miles			
	Alberta	\$12 - 20/T	\$12 - 20/T	\$12 - 20/T
		\$2.50 - 5.00/bale	\$3 - 10/bale	\$3 - 10/bale
	lmi = loaded mile	\$2.50 - 4.00/lmi	\$3/lmi	\$3/lmi
		–	\$65/hr *	\$65/hr *

Total Reports 13 Surveyed July – August 1993

SILAGE

Cutting silage - swathing	Alberta	\$40/hr	\$40 - 55/hr	\$40 - 55/hr
		\$6 - 7/ac	\$6 - 12/ac	\$6 - 7/ac
		\$0.75 - 1.00/T	\$1/T	\$1/T

Total Reports 9 Surveyed July – August 1993

Chopping silage	Tractor, harvester and dump wagon			
	Alberta	\$125 - 200/hr	\$100 - 225/hr	\$100 - 130/hr
		\$3.50 - 4.35/T	\$3 - 6/T	\$3 - 6/T

Total Reports 16 Surveyed July – August 1993

Hauling silage	Truck and operator, 1 - 5 miles haul			
	Alberta	\$33 - 55/hr	\$30 - 55/hr	\$30 - 40/hr
		\$2.00 - 3.85/T	\$1.50 - 4.00/T	\$1.50 - 4.00/T

Total Reports 18 Surveyed July – August 1993

Chopping and hauling silage	1 - 3 mile haul (may include swathing or ensiling)			
	Alberta	\$165 - 250/hr	\$130 - 295/hr	\$130 - 175/hr
		\$4 - 7/T	\$4.50 - 12.00/T	\$4.50 - 8.25/T

Total Reports 15 Surveyed July – August 1993

NOTE: * Indicates one report received.

Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
Silage chopping, hauling and bagging	Alberta			
Includes bag	Bag Size 8 x 150	\$1650/bag *	\$1650/bag *	\$1650/bag *
	Bag Size 9 x 135	\$1650/bag *	\$1650 - 1890/bag	\$1650 - 1890/bag
	Bag Size 9 x 150	\$2000/bag *	\$2000 - 2100/bag	\$2000 - 2100/bag
	Bag Size 9 x 200	–	\$2650 - 2800/bag	\$2650 - 2800/bag
	Bag Size 10 x 150	\$2600 - 2650/bag	\$2300 - 2650/bag	\$2300 - 2650/bag
	Bag Size 10 x 200	\$3400/bag	\$3000 - 3400/bag	\$3000 - 3400/bag

Total Reports 16 Surveyed July – August 1993

Silage bagging	Alberta			
Includes bag	Bag Size 9 x 135	\$800 - 1000/bag	\$800 - 1000/bag	\$800 - 1000/bag
	Bag Size 9 x 150	\$1000/bag *	\$1000/bag *	\$1000/bag *
	Bag Size 9 x 200	\$1400/bag *	\$1400/bag *	\$1400/bag *
	Bag Size 10 x 150	–	\$1350/bag *	\$1350/bag *
	Bag Size 10 x 200	–	\$1800/bag *	\$1800/bag *

Total Reports 7 Surveyed July – August 1993

LAND CLEARING AND BREAKING

Brushing and piling or repiling (with dozer blade)	Alberta			
(per acre rates apply to brushing and repiling only)	D6 (140 - 180 hp)	\$60 - 75/hr	\$60 - 75/hr	\$65 - 75/hr
	D7 (180 - 200 hp)	\$75 - 85/hr	\$75 - 88/hr	\$75 - 88/hr
		\$115 - 140/ac	\$110 - 140/ac	\$110 - 140/ac
	D8 (225 - 335 hp)	\$85 - 105/hr	\$85 - 110/hr	\$90 - 100/hr
		\$95 - 150/ac	\$100 - 200/ac	\$100 - 200/ac
	D9 (over 335hp)	–	\$120 - 140/hr	\$120 - 140/hr

Total Reports 54 Surveyed November 1993

Ripping or sub-soiling	Alberta	\$70 - 124/hr	\$70 - 156/hr	\$70 - 110/hr
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Total Reports 20 Surveyed November 1993

NOTE: * Indicates one report received.

Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
Root raking	Alberta	\$60 - 110/hr	\$55 - 110/hr	\$55 - 110/hr
Total Reports 4 Surveyed November 1993				
Rock picking	Alberta	\$55 - 110/hr	\$46 - 110/hr	\$46 - 55/hr
Total Reports 4 Surveyed November 1993				
Rock raking	Alberta	—	\$46 - 48/hr	\$46 - 48/hr
Total Reports 2 Surveyed November 1993				
Discing	Alberta	\$10 - 30/ac \$50 - 90/hr	\$10 - 30/ac \$50 - 90/hr	\$10 - 30/ac \$50 - 90/hr
Total Reports 23 Surveyed November 1993				
Plowing	Alberta	\$20 - 30/ac	\$20 - 40/ac \$60 - 90/hr	\$20 - 40/ac \$60 - 90/hr
Total Reports 7 Surveyed November 1993				
Dugout construction and drainage	Alberta	\$50 - 95/hr \$0.80 - 0.90/cuyd	\$45 - 120/hr \$0.70 - 1.00/cuyd	\$65 - 95/hr \$0.70 - 1.00/cuyd
Total Reports 32 Surveyed November 1993				
Rotovating	Alberta	—	\$80 - 220/hr	\$80 - 110/hr
Total Reports 4 Surveyed November 1993				

MACHINERY RENTAL

Anhydrous ammonia applicator - pull-type (rental cost with product purchase)	Alberta	\$30 - 40/T —	\$30 - 35/T \$0.50 - 2.50/ac	\$30 - 35/T \$1/ac
Total Reports 6 Surveyed June & November 1993				
Liquid fertilizer applicator - pull-type	Alberta	\$1.00 - 2.25/ac \$5 - 10/T	\$0.50 - 2.50/ac \$5 - 15/T	\$0.50 - 1.50/ac \$5 - 15/T
Total Reports 13 Surveyed June & November 1993				

NOTE: * Indicates one report received.

Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
Granular fertilizer applicator - pull-type	South	\$1/ac	\$0.50 - 1.00/ac	\$0.50 - 1.00/ac
		\$50/day *	\$50/day *	—
	Central	—	\$3 - 7/T	\$3 - 7/T
		\$0.50 - 2.00/ac	\$0.50 - 2.00/ac	\$0.50 - 2.00/ac
		\$25 - 40/day	\$25 - 75/day	\$25 - 50/day
		\$5 - 10/T	\$2 - 10/T	\$5 - 8/T
	North	—	\$1.00 - 1.25/ac	\$1.00 - 1.25/ac
		\$40/day *	\$45 - 65/day	\$45 - 65/day

Total Reports 66 Surveyed June & November 1993

Herbicide applicator - pull-type	South	\$0.75 - 1.50/ac	\$1.00 - 1.25/ac	\$1/ac
			\$20/day *	\$20/day *
	Central	\$0.50 - 1.75/ac	\$0.50 - 1.75/ac	\$0.75 - 1.00/ac
			\$50/day *	\$50/day *
	North	\$1/ac	\$0.75 - 1.75/ac	\$1/ac

Total Reports 39 Surveyed June & November 1993

Air seeder	Alberta	—	\$2.50 - 4.00/ac	\$2.50 - 4.00/ac
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Total Reports 12 Surveyed June & November 1993

SOIL TESTING

Soil testing	Alberta			
	Lab fees included	\$30 - 48/field	\$29 - 70/field	\$30 - 48/field
	Lab fees extra	\$20 - 35/field	\$5 - 35/field	\$20 - 35/field

Total Reports 21 Surveyed June & November 1993

GRAIN PROCESSING

Grinding	Alberta	\$12 - 15/T	\$11 - 20/T	\$12 - 15/T
			\$3 - 4/rnd bale *	

Total Reports 16 Surveyed December 1993

Dry rolling	Alberta	\$10 - 15/T	\$9 - 20/T	\$10 - 15/T
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Total Reports 18 Surveyed December 1993

Steam rolling	Alberta	\$20 - 22/T	\$20 - 22/T	\$20 - 22/T
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Total Reports 4 Surveyed December 1993

NOTE: * Indicates one report received.

Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
Pelleting	Alberta	\$22 - 38/T	\$15 - 38/T	\$15 - 30/T
Total Reports 4 Surveyed December 1993				
Processed grain delivery - 7 to 13 tonne load	Alberta		\$6 - 10/T \$35.00 - 72.50/load	\$6 - 10/T \$35.00 - 72.50/load
0 to 35 miles			\$40 - 50/hour	\$40 - 50/hour
Total Reports 10 Surveyed December 1993				

LIVESTOCK FEEDING

Feeding and backgrounding calves	Alberta			
	Yardage	\$0.14 - 0.17/day	\$0.12 - 0.20/day	\$0.13 - 0.16/day
	Bedding Charge		\$10 - 30/lg bale \$20 - 39/T	\$12 - 18/lg bale \$35/T
	Death loss	1 - 2%	0.50 - 2%	1 - 1.50 %
	Total cost/lb gain **	\$0.45 - 0.55/lb	\$0.50 - 0.65/lb	\$0.50 - 0.65/lb
Total Reports 29 Surveyed January 1994				
Finishing calves	Alberta			
	Yardage	\$0.11 - 0.20/day	\$0.12 - 0.20/day	\$0.13 - 0.17/day
	Bedding Charge		\$12 - 30/lg bale \$20 - 55/T	\$14 - 20/lg bale \$35 - 40/T
	Death loss	0.75 - 1.50 %	0.30 - 2.50 %	1 - 1.50 %
	Total cost/lb gain **	\$0.42 - 0.51/lb	\$0.47 - 0.63/lb	\$0.54 - 0.58/lb
Total Reports 35 Surveyed January 1994				
Finishing yearlings	Alberta			
	Yardage	\$0.12 - 0.16/day	\$0.12 - 0.20/day	\$0.12 - 0.16/day
	Bedding Charge		\$10 - 30/lg bale \$20 - 55/T	\$14 - 20/lg bale \$35 - 45/T
	Death loss	0.25 - 0.50 %	0.20 - 1 %	0.25 - 0.75 %
	Total cost/lb gain **	\$0.42 - 0.50/lb	\$0.47 - 0.62/lb	\$0.52 - 0.58/lb
Total Reports 30 Surveyed January 1994				

NOTE: * Indicates one report received.

** Includes interest

Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
Cows	Alberta			
	Yardage		\$0.25/day	\$0.25/day
	Bedding Charge		\$12/lg bale	\$12/lg bale
	Total cost/day		\$1.00 - 1.35/day	\$1.00 - 1.35/day

Total Reports 4 Surveyed January 1994

LIVESTOCK HAULING

Possum belly liner (50,000 - 60,000 lb) Imi = loaded mile	Alberta			
	Miles			
	0 - 10 mi		\$110 - 175/load \$3.00 - 3.50/Imi \$50/hr *	\$120 - 150/load \$3.00 - 3.50/Imi \$50/hr *
	10 - 50 mi	\$140 - 200/load	\$140 - 270/load	\$170 - 240/load
	50 - 100 mi	\$3.00 - 3.50/Imi	\$200 - 375/load \$1.25/cwt *	\$200 - 375/load \$1.25/cwt *
	100 + mi	\$2.75 - 3.75/Imi	\$2.50 - 3.80/Imi \$1.10 - 2.50/cwt	\$2.90 - 3.00/Imi \$1.10 - 2.50/cwt

Total Reports 52 Surveyed December 1993

Straight liner, body job & gooseneck (14,500 - 40,000 lb) Imi = loaded mile	Alberta			
			\$85 - 255/load \$2.50 - 3.00/Imi \$0.65 - 3.00/cwt	\$8 - 255/load \$2.50 - 3.00/Imi \$0.65 - 3.00/cwt

Total Reports 21 Surveyed December 1993

Other livestock (horses, sheep, etc.)	Alberta			
			\$1.90 - 4.50/cwt \$3.75/head *	\$1.90 - 4.50/cwt \$3.75/head *

Total Reports 10 Surveyed December 1993

NOTE: * Indicates one report received.

Operation	Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
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CORRAL CLEANING

Corral cleaning	Alberta			
Loader, 4 Spreaders, 5 Operators			\$225 - 265/hr	\$225 - 265/hr
Loader, 3 Spreaders, 4 Operators		\$165 - 215/hr	\$155 - 220/hr	\$155 - 220/hr
Loader, 2 Spreaders, 3 Operators		\$120 - 165/hr	\$130 - 205/hr	\$130 - 165/hr
Loader, 1 Spreader, 1 Operator		\$70 - 80/hr	\$50 - 85/hr	\$50 - 85/hr
Loader only, 1 Operator			\$40 - 100/hr	\$40 - 100/hr

Total Reports 26 Surveyed December 1993

FENCING

Barbed wire fence construction	Alberta	\$1200 - 1400/mi	\$900 - 1600/mi	\$1100 - 1500/mi
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Total Reports 20 Surveyed December 1993

High tensile wire fence construction	Includes labor, some material & equipment Alberta		\$0.45 - 0.50/ft	\$0.45 - 0.50/ft
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Total Reports 2 Surveyed December 1993

Corral construction	Labor & equipment Alberta		\$38 - 75/hr	\$38 - 75/hr
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Total Reports 2 Surveyed December 1993

Post pounding	Labor & equipment Alberta	\$45 - 60/hr	\$42 - 90/hr	\$55 - 75/hr
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Total Reports 11 Surveyed December 1993

Barbed wire fence removal	Labor & equipment Alberta	\$50 - 70/hr	\$55 - 75/hr	\$55 - 65/hr
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Total Reports 11 Surveyed December 1993

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LAND LEASING

Cash rent - cropland

Location	Average 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993	Average 1993
South - Irrigated	\$35.40/ac	\$17.50 - 85.00/ac	\$30 - 60/ac	\$44.60/ac
South - Dryland	\$15.50/ac	\$7.60 - 30.00/ac	\$15 - 30/ac	\$20.80/ac
Central	\$18.80/ac	\$6.30 - 39.10/ac	\$15 - 30/ac	\$22/ac
North	\$10.80/ac	\$7 - 21/ac	\$10 - 20/ac	\$13.40/ac

Total Reports 243 Surveyed April 1993

Length of lease - cropland

Years	Cash rent		Crop share	
	Number of leases	%	Number of leases	%
1	91	34	51	38
2	7	3	5	4
3	108	40	19	14
4	5	2	6	4
5	26	10	16	12
6+	32	12	37	28
Total	269	100	134	100

Total Reports 403 Surveyed April 1993

Type of lease - cropland

Location	Cash rent		Crop share	
	Number of leases	%	Number of leases	%
South	45	60	30	40
Central	189	68	90	32
North	35	71	14	29

Total Reports 403 Surveyed April 1993

Length of cropland lease**Cropshare rental - cropland**

Alberta

	Landlord : Tenant	No. of leases	% Reporting	Notes
South	1/4 : 3/4	5	18	Tenant pays all but taxes in 14 of 29 agreements
	21% : 79%	1	4	
	1/3 : 2/3	20	71	
	2/5 : 3/5	1	4	
	1/2 : 1/2	1	4	
Central	1/5 : 4/5	4	6	Tenant pays all but taxes in 30 of 72 agreements
	1/4 : 3/4	4	6	
	1/3 : 2/3	49	68	
	2/5 : 3/5	2	3	
	1/2 : 1/2	2	3	
	5 - 20 bu/ac	11	15	
North	1/4 : 3/4	6	43	Tenant pays all but taxes in 7 of 14 agreements
	70% : 30%	1	7	
	1/3 : 2/3	6	43	
	6 bu/ac	1	7	

Total Report 115 Surveyed April 1993

Cash rent - private pasture

Location	Most Common 1992	Range 1993	Most Common 1993
South	\$15/AUM	\$13 - 33/AUM	\$16 - 20/AUM
Central	\$13 - 12/AUM	\$5 - 25/AUM	\$8 - 16/AUM
North			

Total Reports 51 Surveyed April 1993

Provincial grazing reserves

Location	# of Reserves/Region	Total Acreage/ Region	Rate/AUM 1992	Rate/ AUM 1993
Lethbridge	3 (Irrigated)	24,383	\$13.45 - 14.05	\$13.4 - 14.05
	1 (Non-irrigated)	33,163	\$10.90	\$10.90
Medicine Hat	2 (Irrigated)	45,698	\$13.45 - 14.05	\$13.45 - 14.05
	2 (Non-irrigated)	152,741	\$10.90	\$10.90
West Central	6	93,307	\$9.85	\$9.85
Edmonton	3	66,378	\$9.85	\$9.85
St. Paul	5	104,736	\$9.85	\$9.85
Peace River	5	120,642	\$8.25	\$8.25
Grande Prairie	5	77,889	\$8.25	\$8.25

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Crown land

Location	Total Acreage	Rate/AUM 1992	Rate/AUM 1993
South	3,100,000	\$2.37	\$2.37
Central	800,000	\$1.97	\$1.97
North	1,700,000	\$1.18	\$1.18

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